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## Developing our Clinical Services Strategy



**Briefing – 15 January 2013**



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The purpose of this briefing is to inform staff and stakeholders about progress with activities in relation to the Health Board's Clinical Service Strategy process which is aimed at building a high quality and sustainable healthcare system within the Hywel Dda healthcare area.

### 'Your Health, Your Future: Consulting Our Communities'

At an Extraordinary Board Meeting on Tuesday January 15, board members agreed a number of changes to healthcare services to provide first class healthcare services to the local population, now and into the future.

We know that healthcare has to change to provide the best outcomes for our patients, and we believe that our plans will support delivery of more care closer to people's own homes and communities, ensuring hospitals are equipped to deal with the most seriously ill.

We are grateful for the engagement, debate and formal responses received during our engagement and consultation exercises from staff, stakeholders patients and the public.

The consultation proposals have been amended following engagement and consultation exercises:

- **Mynydd Mawr Hospital** services, currently delivered from the hospital, will be delivered within the community and a new service at Prince Philip Hospital. The original proposal was broadened following consultation feedback and evidence, so that the new service will provide multi-specialty care to the frailest of inpatients, including geriatric medicine and psychiatry for the elderly.
- We will provide minor injury services from community based services, close the **Minor Injury Units** at Tenby and South Pembrokeshire and redeploy nursing staff to support Withybush emergency services. Following consultation feedback and evidence, we will commission a one-year pilot additional minor injury service in Tenby for eight weeks (from mid-July to September, including weekends and Bank Holidays) during the peak tourist season.
- **Orthopaedic** day-case and short stay, as well as planned surgery including hip and knee replacements, will be retained in all three counties, following consultation feedback and evidence. For the south of the Hywel Dda Health Board area, revisions and complex orthopaedic procedures will be carried out at an Orthopaedic Centre at Prince Philip Hospital.

- **24/7 Emergency** Departments, co-located with purpose-built clinical decision and assessment facilities, will be provided at Bronglais, Glangwili and Witybush Hospitals. Following consultation feedback and evidence, the Health Board has broadened its proposal for Prince Philip Hospital so that a clinically led group will explore unscheduled care services and re-shaping of front-door services. This will deliver an integrated service, doctor supported and primarily nurse-delivered but sitting within a model of GPs, pharmacists, paramedical and community service teams. Alongside this, Prince Philip Hospital will deliver a 24/7 emergency medical assessment and admissions service.
- Services for **women and children**, support the original proposal to retain obstetric and paediatric services in each county with a complex obstetric unit, neonatal unit and high dependency paediatric unit on the Glangwili Hospital site, subject to recruitment. Following consultation feedback and evidence, the recommendation is broader and approves a clinically led group to design services and pathways for these.

The Board remains committed to continuing to work alongside the Community Health Council. An Implementation Board will be set up to ensure that there are robust arrangements in place, and clinicians are satisfied, before any changes are made. The Board will consider all risks and potential impacts on equality and diversity and will mitigate against these.

Any staff, stakeholders, patients or members of the public who would like continued involvement in the shaping and planning of local healthcare services, are encouraged to join the Health Board's membership scheme. Contact Siarad Iechyd Talking Health by visiting [www.talkinghealth.wales.nhs.uk](http://www.talkinghealth.wales.nhs.uk); telephoning 01554 779510; writing to FREEPOST HYWEL DDA HEALTH BOARD or emailing [talkinghealth@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:talkinghealth@wales.nhs.uk)

The full recommendation report, and other resources, can be found at [www.hywelddahb.wales.nhs.uk/Consultation](http://www.hywelddahb.wales.nhs.uk/Consultation)

Thank you for your continued support.



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